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Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed on November 7, 2002. Claims 1-27 are pending in this application. Applicant previously filed a response to a restriction requirement and filed an election of species, electing Claims 1-6, 10 and 11 for examination. Claims 2-8 and 10-12 have been amended, and new claims 21-27 have been added. Please amend the application as follows.

AMENDMENTIN THE CLAIMS:

2. (AMENDED) The method as recited in claim 1 wherein the step of forming each of said plurality of cells includes melting said norbornene polymer and hot extruding said norbornene polymer to form at least one extruded tube.
3. (AMENDED) The method as recited in claim 2 wherein the step of forming each of said plurality of cells includes extruding a first extruded tube and a second extruded tube, the method further comprising expanding said inner extruded tube with air in a first mold to form a first expanded tube and expanding said second extruded tube with air in a second mold to form a substantially u-shaped second expanded tube.

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